## Seeing the Future

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Seeing the Future

## Living in the Future

- The Disappearing Future
- The Pace of Innovation
- Churn and Blur

## Seeing the Future

- The STC Concern
- Funding from Commerce & Others
- The Storyboarding Sessions
- The Need for Communication across Domains

### Regional Action

- Challenges & Opportunities
- A Network of Southern Leaders
- Quality of Life Benchmarks

### The Southern Conversation

- New Economy Principles
- Facts & Indices
- Economic Drivers
- Best Practices
- Invented Here

### Drucker's Reminder

Innovation is the Primary Driver

# Innovation's Driving Wheels

- Technology & Transportation
- Demographics
- Globalization
- New Business Practices

# Innovation's Driving Wheels

- The Niche Phenomenon
- Shift to Services
- Eclipse of Government

### New Economy Characteristics

- Borderless
- Cultural Mutations
- Expanding Free Markets
- Governmental Devolution
- People-Centric
- Knowledge-Driven

## New Economy Characteristics

- Time-Compressed
- Disorientation
- Redistribution of Wealth

## New Economy Tensions

- Urban-Rural
- New Winners-New Losers
- Inter-jurisdictional
- Intergenerational
- The Digital Divide
- Educated-Undereducated

## Dynamic, Flexible Partnerships

- Cross-domain
- Cross-jurisdiction
- Inclusive
- Trust, Reciprocity, Results

# Partnership Targets

- Entrepreneurship
- Lifelong Learning
- Wise Investments

#### A Value-Added Future

- Better Jobs, Higher Wages
- Higher Standard of Living
- Smarter, Informed Population
- Triumph of the Entrepreneur
- Diverse Resilient Communities
- High-value Products & Services

### **Brave New Future**

"If you think the invention of the book was bad, then you will feel the same way about the changes that are coming."--Bill Gates